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1. WE HAVE REVIEWED THE DRAFT COMMUNIQUE CONTAINED REFTTEL
AND BELIEVE IT NEEDS REINFORCING IN SEVERAL AREAS. YOU
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SHOULD DRAW ON THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTED CHANGES FOR SUB-

STANCE RATHER THAN FOR SPECIFIC LANGUAGE IN WORKING THE DRC DRAFT. WE HAVE DRAWN UPON THE DRAFT VERSION TO DEVELOP OUR PROPOSALS WHICH GENERALLY CONFORM TO THE ORDER OF THE DRAFT PARAGRAPHS ALTHOUGH SOME ITEMS ARE ADDED.

2. US SUGGESTIONS FOR DRAFT COMMUNIQUE:

PARA 2, ADD: QUOTE IN LIGHT OF THIS APPRAISAL, MINISTERS AGREED THAT THE BALANCE OF CONVENTIONAL FORCES BETWEEN NATO AND THE WARSAW PACT, PARTICULARLY IN THE CENTRAL REGION, IS NOT AS UNFAVORABLE AS MAY HAVE BEEN BELIEVED. THEY AGREED THAT NATO IS DEVOTING THE NECESSARY RESOURCES TO PROVIDE A SUBSTANTIAL CONVENTIONAL CAPABILITY FOR DETERRENCE. MINISTERS RECOGNIZED, HOWEVER, THAT ONGOING IMPROVEMENTS IN WARSAW PACT FORCES AND EXISTING DEFICIENCIES IN NATO FORCES REQUIRE MEMBER COUNTRIES TO CONTINUE FORCE IMPROVEMENTS AT THEIR PRESENT LEVELS IN ORDER TO ENSURE A FAVORABLE OUTCOME SHOULD DETERRENCE FAIL. END QUOTE.

PARA 3: DELETE "SECRETARY" AFTER "UNITED STATES" IN THE PHRASE FOLLOWING "OF ARMED CONFLICT AND THE HOPE"

PARA 4, REVISE LAST TWO SENTENCES AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE MINISTERS REVIEWED THE STATE OF MBFR NEGOTIATIONS NOW TAKING PLACE IN VIENNA AND AGREED THAT THE FUNDAMENTAL OBJECTIVES OF A MORE STABLE MILITARY AND SECURITY SITUATION AND LOWER LEVELS OF FORCES WITH UNDIMINISHED SECURITY CAN BEST BE ACHIEVED THROUGH AGREEMENT TO REDUCE NATO AND WARSAW PACT GROUND FORCES BEGINNING WITH THE U.S. AND SOVIET FORCES. THE ULTIMATE OBJECTIVE OF MBFR SHOULD BE A COMMON CEILING ON GROUND FORCES IN THE CENTRAL REGION. MINISTERS AGREED THAT ALLIES ARE PROCEEDING FROM A POSITION OF PARTNERSHIP AND STRENGTH IN THESE NEGOTIATIONS. COLLECTIVELY AND INDIVIDUALLY, THEY REAFFIRMED THEIR DETERMINATION THAT NATO FORCES SHOULD NOT BE REDUCED EXCEPT IN THE CONTEXT OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE EAST. END QUOTE.

PARA 5, ADD: QUOTE THEY THEREFORE REVIEWED AREAS FOR FURTHER IMPROVEMENT IN THE PROCESS OF ASSESSING STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES OF NATO AND WARSAW PACT CAPABILITIES IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A REALISTIC VIEW OF THE BALANCE BETWEEN THESE FORCES. END QUOTE. CHANGE PHRASE QUOTE
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CONTINUING EXPANSION OF THE SOVIET NAVY END QUOTE TO READ QUOTE EXPANDING CAPABILITIES OF THE SOVIET NAVY END QUOTE.
NEW PARA 7: QUOTE MINISTERS TOOK NOTE OF THE FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE POSSIBILITIES OF SPECIALIZATION OF DEFENSE TASKS. THEY AGREED THAT FURTHER STUDIES ON THE IMPROVMENT OF NATO FORCES THROUGH RATIONALIZATION AND SPECIALIZATION SHOULD CONTINUE AND THAT ANY SAVINGS EFFECTED AS A RESULT OF THESE STUDIES SHOULD BE APPLIED TO

FORCE IMPROVEMENTS. END QUOTE.

NEW PARA 8: QUOTE THEY ALSO DISCUSSED RECENT PROGRESS IN THE STANDARDIZATION OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT AND EMPHASIZED THE OPERATIONAL, LOGISTIC AND ECONOMIC ADVANTAGES OF THIS ACTIVITY FOR THE ALLIANCE. THEY UNDERTOOK TO REDOUBLE THEIR EFFORTS IN THIS FIELD AND INDICATED SPECIFIC AREAS ON WHICH THEIR STAFFS SHOULD CONCENTRATE. THEY CALLED FOR A FURTHER PROGRESS REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED TO THEM IN DECEMBER IN EXPECTATION THAT DECISIONS ON STANDARDIZATION OF AMMUNITION, CERTAIN WEAPONS AND AN AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING AND CONTROL SYSTEM COULD BE MADE BY THE SPRING OF 1975; END QUOTE.

NEW PARA 9: QUOTE MINISTERS NOTED THE GENERAL CONSENSUS IN SUPPORT OF EFFORTS TO ENSURE ALLIANCE COOPERATION IN DEFENSE INDUSTRY AND TECHNOLOGY. THEY AGREED THAT SUBSEQUENT MINISTERIAL MEETINGS SHOULD ADDRESS AT LEAST ONE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CONFERENCE OF NATIONAL ARMAMENTS DIRECTORS FOR ARMAMENTS COOPERATION. END QUOTE.

NEW PARA 10: QUOTE MINISTERS INSTRUCTED THE DPC IN PERMANENT SESSION TO REACH AGREEMENT PROMPTLY ON BOTH THE SIZE AND COST SHARING FOR THE NEW (1975-1979) FIVE YEAR INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM. IN SO DOING, THEY NOTED THE MAGNITUDE OF FACILITY REQUIREMENTS SUBMITTED BY NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES AND RECOMMENDED THAT NATIONS: (1) AGREE ON A PROGRAM OF SUFFICIENT SIZE TO MEET THE HIGH PRIORITY REQUIREMENTS; AND, (2) BRING TO AN EARLY CONCLUSION CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS ON COST-SHARING TO RESULT IN A CONTINUATION OF AN EFFECTIVE U.S. SHARE OF 20 PERCENT. ENDQUOTE.

NEW PARA 11: QUOTE MINISTERS REAFFIRMED THEIR INTENTIONS TO HAVE THE VARIOUS NATIONAL FORCES WORK TOGETHER BETTER
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AND AS PRACTICAL STEPS IN THIS DIRECTION NOTED THE ADDITIONAL EFFECTIVENESS ACCRUING TO THE ALLIANCE AS A RESULT OF ESTABLISHING AN INTEGRATED COMMAND STRUCTURE FOR THE ALLIED AIR FORCES IN THE CENTRAL REGION. THEY AGREED TO CONCLUDE QUICKLY NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE IMPROVED RECEPTION AND SUBSEQUENT OPERATION OF U.S. AIR FORCES IN EUROPE. END QUOTE.

NEW PARA 12: QUOTE MINISTERS DISCUSSED A REPORT ON THE ALLIANCE DEFENSES. THEY NOTED THE IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN FORCE CAPABILITIES AND REAFFIRMED THE NEED FOR FORCE IMPROVEMENTS TO CORRECT ANTICIPATED AND EXISTING DEFICIENCIES, PARTICULARLY IN THE FIELDS OF ANTI-ARMOR, AIR DEFENSE AND WAR RESERVE STOCK LEVELS. MINISTERS COMMISSIONED SPECIAL STUDIES TO DETERMINE THE ADEQUACY OF NATO CAPABILITIES AND PLANS IN THE FIELDS OF ELECTRONIC

WARFARE AND MODERN AIR DELIVERED MUNITIONS IN ORDER TO DEVELOP PROGRAMS TO ATTAIN FORCE IMPROVEMENTS IN THESE AREAS. THEY ALSO CALLED FOR EARLY ACTION TO IDENTIFY REQUIREMENTS FOR AN EARLY WARNING SYSTEM. ON THE BASIS OF THESE REQUIREMENTS, PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES WERE INSTRUCTED TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE FINANCIAL, MANAGEMENT, OPERATIONAL CONTROL AND OWNERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS FOR AN AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING AND CONTROL SYSTEM. END QUOTE.

NEW PARA13: QUOTE MINISTERS ALSO REVIEWED THE DEFENSE PROGRAMS WHICH SUPPORT THE ALLIED FORCES, E.G., COMMUNICATIONS AND CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING, AS WELL AS LOGISTICS AND INFRASTRUCTURE. THEY AGREED THAT SPECIAL EFFORTS ARE REQUIRED IN CERTAIN FIELDS IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE OVERALL BALANCE AND EFFECTIVENESS OF NATO'S DEFENSE. END QUOTE.

NEW PARA 14: QUOTE MINISTERS STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF IMPLEMENTING THE AGREED FORCE GOALS FOR 1975-1980. THEY NOTED THE NEED FOR SPECIFIC MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE ON AVAILABLE FINANCIAL RESOURCES ON WHICH MILITARY AUTHORITIES CAN PLAN FOR MEETING PRIORITY ALLIANCE DEFENSE REQUIREMENTS. END QUOTE.

NEW PARA 15: QUOTE MINISTERS NOTED THE PROGRESS THAT HAD BEEN MADE TOWARD OFFSETTING US MILITARY BOP EXPENDITURES IN NATO EUROPE DURING THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, AND AGREED

TO ESTABLISH A MECHANISM TO IDENTIFY MORE CLEARLY, AND ON CONFIDENTIAL

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A CONTINUING BASIS, ALLIED MILITARY EXPENDITURES IN THE US. END QUOTE.

NEW PARA 16: QUOTE MINISTERS RECOGNIZED THE REQUIREMENT FOR IMPROVED COMMUNICATIONS AND AGREED TO EXPEDITE PROCUREMENT OF REQUISITE SYSTEMS FOR NICS AND INTEROPERABILITY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY RESOURCES TO IMPROVE TACTICAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS. END QUOTE.

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